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In Re:	Patent Application of	:	<b>Attn: Official</b>
	Nanning J. Arfsten et al.	:	<b>Draftsperson</b>
		:	Group Art Unit 1775
Conf. No.:	8672	:	
		:	Allowed May 5, 2004
Appln. No.	09/437,948	:	
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Filed:	November 10, 1999	:	
		:	Attorney Docket
For:	NIOBIUM OXIDE-BASED LAYERS	:	No. 275-3
	FOR THIN FILM OPTICAL	:	
	COATINGS AND PROCESSES FOR	:	
	PRODUCING THE SAME	:	

**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

In accordance with the Notice of Allowability accompanying the Notice of Allowance mailed May 5, 2004, enclosed are three (3) sheets of formal drawings, Figs. 1 through 5, concerning the above-identified application.

It is respectfully submitted that the enclosed copies of formal drawings place this application in condition to be issued, the issue fee being paid concurrently herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Although it is Applicants' opinion that the claims filed by way of amendment are substantially embraced in the statement of invention or in the claims originally filed, Applicants herewith file a Supplemental Declaration for precautionary purposes under 37 CFR 1.67.

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